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BERLIN FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, GW

SUBJECT: FRG RATIFICATION OF THE NPT

REFS: (A) BONN 3223, (B) STATE 37797, (C) STATE 46080

1. EMBOFF RAISED ON MARCH 3 WITH THE FRG FONOFF WORKING-
LEVEL ARMS CONTROL OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR NPT
MATTERS THE NEWSPAPER STORY REPORTED REFTEL A. THE
OFFICIAL POINTED OUT THAT THE STORY ERRED IN DESCRIBING
THE SAFEGUARDS ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM. MOREOVER, THE
OFFICIAL EMPHATICALLY REPUDIATED THE SPECULATION ABOUT
THE FRG REFUSING TO RATIFY THE NPT. THE OFFICIAL
REITERATED THAT IT IS THE POLICY OF THE FRG TO DEPOSIT
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ITS NPT RATIFICATION INSTRUMENTS AS SOON AS THE OTHER

EURATOM NON-NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES ARE ALSO IN A POSITION TO DO SO. HE NOTED THAT THE BELGIANS ARE EXPECTED TO COMPLETE THEIR INTERNAL RATIFICATION PROCEDURE LATER THIS MONTH. OUR SOURCE SAID THERE NOW APPEARS TO BE SOME DEFINITE PROGRESS BY THE GOI TOWARDS RATIFICATION. HOWEVER, HE REMAINS SKEPTICAL THAT THE GOI CAN COMPLETE THE PROCESS PRIOR TO THE REVCON.

2. THE DRAFT LETTER TO DUTCH FONMIN VAN DER STOEL MENTIONED BY AMBASSADOR ROTH IN WASHINGTON (REFTEL C) HAS NOT YET BEEN SIGNED BY FONMIN GENSCHER. IN THE DRAFT ROTH RESTATES THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SOLIDARITY OF ALL EURATOM COUNTRIES ON THIS ISSUE. HE REFERS TO PAST CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN GENSCHER AND VAN DER STOEL IN WHICH AN UNDERSTANDING WAS REACHED THAT THE EURATOM STATES WOULD IN FACT REMAIN UNITED. ROTH THEN ALLUDES TO THE SURPRISING NEWS THAT THE DUTCH MAY RATIFY

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IN APRIL. HE CLOSES BY URGING THE DUTCH TO RECONSIDER
TAKING SUCH A STEP, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE
ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENTS IN ITALY. (COMMENT: ALTHOUGH
THE LETTER WAS DRAFTED IN FEBRUARY, GENSCHER HAS BEEN
TOO BUSY WITH OTHER THINGS TO SIGN IT. IT SEEMS
REASONABLE TO ASSUME, HOWEVER, THAT THE LETTER WILL BE
SENT TO VAN DER STOEL DURING THE FIRST HALF OF MARCH.
END COMMENT.)

3. RETURNING TO THE THEME OF THE POSSIBLE USE OF NPT
PROVISIONS BY THE U.S. AND UK TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST
THE FRG, SEVERAL NEWSPAPERS REPORTED ON MARCH 4 THAT
TWO CDU/CSU BUNDESTAG DEPUTIES HAD REFERRED TO THE
EARLIER PRESS REPORTS AND WARNED THAT THE FRG MUST
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ENSURE AT THE REVCON THAT THE NPT BE INTERPRETED AS
UNAMBIGUOUSLY RULING OUT DISCRIMINATION. BOTH DEPUTIES
SUGGESTED THAT THE FRG NOT DEPOSIT RATIFICATION
INSTRUMENTS UNTIL SUCH AN INTERPRETATION IS REACHED.
HOWEVER, THE REPORTS CONTINUED THAT SOURCES IN THE
FONOFF HAD EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THE NUCLEAR
POWER PLANT PROJECT WOULD BE REALIZED AND THAT THERE
IS NO EVIDENCE THAT THE US OR UK ARE ATTEMPTING TO
DELAY THE PROJECT FOR COMMERCIAL REASONS.
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